

JESSIE KEPKE TURNER  
10-29-80  
**Mrs. Lyle Turner**

The funeral for Mrs. Lyle (Jessie Kepke) Turner, 83, Groton, was held Tuesday, Oct. 28, at the United Methodist Church in Groton, with the Rev. John Maines officiating.

Mrs. Gene Cassels, organist, accompanied Lee Schinkel who sang "How Great Thou Art" and "The Old Rugged Cross". Bob Johnson was usher.

Dale Hosley, Robert Jensen, Earl Lowary, Lawrence Rohwer, Jay Swisher and Lyle Thurston were casket bearers.

Burial will be in the Groton Union Cemetery. The Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Turner died Friday, Oct. 24, at her home in Groton.

Jessie Turner was born September 21, 1897 to George and Mabel Cure at Groton, S.D. She was the eldest of four children born to the couple. She attended rural elementary school and took her high school and college work at Northern State College at Aberdeen. Mrs. Turner taught school eight years in the Groton and Columbia area before marrying Walter Kepke, also of Groton.

They were married September 8, 1924, at Huron and established a home on a farm near Putney. To this union one daughter, Mary Eleanor was born. Mr. Kepke died January 5, 1970.

Jessie Kepke and Lyle Turner were married at Wessington Springs, S.D., on November 7, 1972. They made their home at Lodi Wis. until July of 1976 when they returned to Groton to live.

Mrs. Turner was a member of the United Methodist Church, YMW, Mary Circle, served as a Sunday School teacher and superintendent. She was chosen Mother of the Year in Brown County in 1963. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Putney Ladies Aid, 3-R Club, N'N Extension Club, a 4-H leader, Territorial Pioneers, North East South Dakota Retired Teachers Association, Volunteer at Colonial Manor Nursing Home, past Township Assessor. She was instrumental in setting up a Senior

Citizens Center in Groton and she wrote a news column for 27 years.

Surviving Mrs. Turner are her husband Lyle, one daughter, Mary Davis of Everett, Wash., one step-daughter, Joan Jacobson, Cascade, Colo., seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, one brother and one sister.